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UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA
SAN FRANCISCO DIVISION

In re: PG&E CORPORATION, - and -	Case No. 19-30088 (DM) Chapter 11 (Lead Case) (Jointly Administered)
PACIFIC GAS AND ELECTRIC COMPANY, Debtors. <input type="checkbox"/> Affects PG&E Corporation <input type="checkbox"/> Affects Pacific Gas and Electric Company <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Affects both Debtors <i>* All papers shall be filed in the lead case, No. 19-30088 (DM)</i>	ORDER AUTHORIZING DEBTORS PURSUANT TO 11 U.S.C. § 327(a) AND FED. R. BANKR. P. 2014(a) AND 2016 TO RETAIN AND EMPLOY KELLER & BENVENUTTI LLP AS CO-COUNSEL FOR THE DEBTORS NUNC PRO TUNC TO THE PETITION DATE

1 Upon the Application, dated February 6, 2019 (the “Application”),¹ of PG&E Corporation
2 (“PG&E Corp.”) and Pacific Gas and Electric Company (the “Utility”), as debtors and debtors in
3 possession (collectively, “PG&E” or the “Debtors”) in the above-captioned chapter 11 cases (the
4 “Chapter 11 Cases”), pursuant to section 327(a) of title 11 of the United States Code (the “Bankruptcy
5 Code”) and Rules 2014(a) and 2016 of the Federal Rules of Bankruptcy Procedure (the “Bankruptcy
6 Rules”), for authority to retain and employ Keller & Benvenutti LLP (the “Firm”) as attorneys for the
7 Debtors, effective as of the Petition Date, under a general retainer, all as more fully set forth in the
8 Application; and this Court having jurisdiction to consider the Application and the relief requested
9 therein pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 157 and 1334, and the *Order Referring Bankruptcy Cases and*
10 *Proceedings to Bankruptcy Judges*, General Order 24 and Rule 5011-1(a) of the Bankruptcy Local
11 Rules for the United States District Court for the Northern District of California (the “Bankruptcy
12 Local Rules”); and consideration of the Application and the requested relief being a core proceeding
13 pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 157(b); and venue being proper before this Court pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§
14 1408 and 1409; and due and proper notice of the Application having been provided to the parties listed
15 therein, and it appearing that no other or further notice need be provided; and this Court having
16 reviewed the Application, the Loduca Declaration, and the Keller Declaration; and a hearing having
17 been noticed to consider the relief requested in the Application (the “Hearing”); and upon the record of
18 the Hearing (if any was held) and all of the proceedings had before the Court; and this Court having
19 found and determined that the relief sought in the Application is in the best interests of the Debtors,
20 their estates, creditors, shareholders, and all parties in interest; and that the legal and factual bases set
21 forth in the Application establish just cause for the relief granted herein; and after due deliberation and
22 sufficient cause appearing therefor,

23 **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT:**

- 24 1. The Application is granted as provided herein.

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27 1 Capitalized terms used but not otherwise herein defined shall have the meanings ascribed to such
28 terms in the Application.

1 2. The Debtors are authorized, pursuant to section 327(a) of the Bankruptcy Code and
2 Bankruptcy Rules 2014 and 2016, to retain and employ the Firm as their attorneys in these Chapter 11
3 Cases under a general retainer, in accordance with the Firm's normal hourly rates and disbursements
4 policies, all as contemplated by Application, effective as of the Petition Date.

- 5 3. The Firm is authorized to render the following professional services:
- 6 a. appear in Court on behalf of the Debtors;
- 7 b. provide legal advice regarding the Debtors' rights and obligations as
8 debtors in possession and regarding local rules, practices, and
procedures;
- 9 c. act to protect and preserve the Debtors' estates through the
10 prosecution of actions on the Debtors' behalf, defense of actions
commenced against the Debtors, negotiation of disputes in which the
11 Debtors are involved, and preparation of objections to claims filed
against the Debtors' estates;
- 12 d. prepare on behalf of the Debtors any necessary applications, motions,
answers, orders, reports, and other legal papers;
- 13 e. provide traditional services of local co-counsel including, without
14 limitation: monitoring the docket for filings and coordinating with
co-counsel in pending matters that need response; preparing agenda
letters, certificates of no objection, certifications of counsel, and
15 notices of fee applications and hearings; preparing hearing binders of
documents and pleadings; and preparing documents and pleadings
16 for hearings;
- 17 f. handle inquiries and calls from creditors and counsel to interested
18 parties regarding pending matters and the general status of the
Chapter 11 Cases, and, to the extent required, coordinating with co-
counsel on any necessary responses;
- 19 g. act as primary counsel in the event that debtor's lead bankruptcy
20 counsel has a disabling conflict, believes it would be more efficient,
or otherwise desires the Firm to act in such capacity in discrete
21 matters; and
- 22 h. provide additional support to the Debtors and to co-counsel, as
requested.

23 4. The Firm shall be compensated in accordance with, and will file, interim and final fee
24 applications for allowance of its compensation and expenses and shall be subject to sections 330 and
25 331 of the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, the Bankruptcy Local Rules, the Fee Guidelines,
26 and any further order of the Court.

27 5. The Firm shall be reimbursed for reasonable and necessary expenses as provided by the
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Fee Guidelines.

6. The Firm shall use its best efforts to avoid any duplication of services provided by any of the Debtors' other retained professionals in these Chapter 11 Cases.

7. Notice of the Application as provided therein shall be deemed good and sufficient notice of the Application.

8. The Firm shall provide reasonable notice to the Debtors and the U.S. Trustee of any increase of the Firm's hourly rates as set forth in the Keller Declaration.

9. For the avoidance of doubt, the Firm shall not withdraw from representation of the Debtors in these Chapter 11 Cases absent Court approval.

10. To the extent the Application is inconsistent with this Order, the terms of the Order shall govern.

11. This Court shall retain jurisdiction to hear and determine all matters arising from or related to the implementation, interpretation, or enforcement of this Order.

** END OF ORDER **